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Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidated Billing L Codes – Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier and Fiscal Intermediaries

Key Words

L5673, L5679, Beneficiaries, Part A, SNF, Separate Payment, DMERC, FI, Rejected, Claim, MM3295, CR3295, consolidated

Provider Types Affected

Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF) and suppliers

Key Points

- As of April 1, 2004, suppliers cannot get paid for codes L5673 and L5679 for services provided to a beneficiary in a Part A SNF stay.
- K0557 and K0558 codes replaced L5673 and L5679 codes.
- Codes L5673 and L5679 will allow separate payment by DMERCs and FIs outside the perspective payment rate for Medicare beneficiaries in Part A SNF stays.
- These codes will be added to the October 2004 quarterly update.
- If your claim for L5679 and L5673 services are not paid from April 1 through September 30, 2004, notify your DMERC or intermediary and request the claim be re-opened with the appropriate override code.

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